

EXILED JOSIE SHEPARD.

THE INDENTURING COMMITTEE WILL DECIDE HIS CASE TO-NIGHT.

THE EVENING WORLD during the past two weeks has maintained silence in regard to the popular demand for the return of little Josie Shephard, who was hustled away to a strange abiding place in a far Western State by "the powers that be" at the Juvenile Asylum in this city. THE EVENING WORLD

Chairman Charles D. Adams, who has manifested a disposition to act justly in this matter, has made a searching investigation and will report to the committee to-night at a meeting to be held at the House of Reception, in Thirteenth street.

Grandmother Shephard, whose unswerving love and devotion to the exiled child has excited the sympathies of readers of THE EVENING WORLD, will be present at the meeting to welcome a report which may restore to her the boy upon whom her affections have been concentrated, or to weep over a cruel decision which may keep little Josie in exile. Which shall it be?

Andrew Graut, manager of the Consolidated tea stor., at the corner of Ninth avenue and Forty-first street, will also be present, with his wife, at the meeting of the committee to-night, to reassert his willingness to adopt the boy, give him a comfortable home and educate him.

Lawyer De Lancey Nicoll will appear and plead for justice for the banished orphan and his longing relatives.

Affidavits will be presented showing that

The sworn statements of reputable citizens of this city, to whom Mr. Grant has applied to Supt. Carpenter for the custody of Josie Shepherd and she had been promised it; that she had complied with the directions given by the society's superintendent; that the boy was sent away without her knowledge or consent and that Andrew Grant had made known to Supt. Carpenter his desire to adopt the child.

The details of this case have been read with intense interest by a group of THE EVENING WORLD, and the public pulse quickens at the mention of the name of Josie Shepherd.

Since the abduction of Charley Ross no

similar case has attracted so widespread attention as that of Josie Shephard, and the exiled boy is returned to New York and will find his popularity unbounded. Doubtless many friends of the little lad and the aged grandmother will attend the hearing of the case this evening.

The prayer of the people is "Bring back the exiled boy."

FUN FOR AFTER DINNER.

A Singular Coincidence.
[From Time.]
Benson (entering Newport Casino)—Where have you been, Ed?
Cathcart—Called on that rich and hideous heiress
Miss Smith. Thank heavens she was out (Exeunt
twenty young men.)
Miss Smith (at home next day)—Strange that
thirty-seven gentlemen should have left their
cards last night—just the night when I was not a

A White Mountain Echo.
[From Harper's Bazar.]

"Well, father, you must congratulate me. Your remark that my attentions to Miss Holmesleigh had been so apparent that people were talking, coupled with your statement that I ought to propose at once, set me to thinking as to my duty and I proposed to her."

"And she accepted you?"

"No, indeed. She refused me and then she said—"

A Calamity in One Sense.
(From *Texas Softings*.)
First Literary Man—What a lucky thing it is that they saved all the manuscript in the *Century Magazine* fire?
Second Literary Man (gloomily)—I don't think so.
"Why not?"
"Because if that had burned up there might have been—"

"Perhaps you are right. I hadn't thought
 that."

A Wretch.
 [From *King.*]
 She (sentimentally)—In the spring all nature
 smiles, the birds woo, lovers kiss, but, *ah!* she
 comes winter.
 He—I know some things that kiss all the year

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